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HOUSE BILL 1747

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By Representatives Simpson and Rodne

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1            AN ACT Relating to the acquisition of insurance for regional  
2 transit authority projects over one hundred million dollars; and  
3 amending RCW 81.112.060.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5            **Sec. 1.** RCW 81.112.060 and 2000 2nd sp.s. c 4 s 32 are each  
6 amended to read as follows:

7            An authority shall have the following powers:

8            (1) To establish offices, departments, boards, and commissions that  
9 are necessary to carry out the purposes of the authority, and to  
10 prescribe the functions, powers, and duties thereof.

11            (2) To appoint or provide for the appointment of, and to remove or  
12 to provide for the removal of, all officers and employees of the  
13 authority.

14            (3) To fix the salaries, wages, and other compensation of all  
15 officers and employees of the authority.

16            (4) To employ such engineering, legal, financial, or other  
17 specialized personnel as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes of  
18 the authority.

1           (5) To determine risks, hazards, and liabilities in order to obtain  
2 insurance consistent with these determinations. This insurance may  
3 include any types of insurance covering, and for the benefit of, one or  
4 more parties with whom the authority contracts for any purpose, and  
5 insurance for the benefit of its board members, authority officers, and  
6 employees to insure against liability for acts or omissions while  
7 performing or in good faith purporting to perform their official  
8 duties. All insurance obtained for construction of authority projects  
9 with a total project cost exceeding one hundred million dollars may be  
10 acquired by bid or by negotiation (~~through December 31, 2006~~). In  
11 order to allow the authority flexibility to secure appropriate  
12 insurance by negotiation, the authority is exempt from RCW 48.30.270.

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